



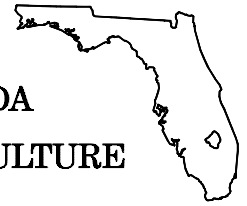
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## CATTLE ON FEED IN HISTORIC 7 STATES

Cattle on feed January 1, 2002, in the historic 7 States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.9 million, down 2 percent from the previous year but 2 percent above January 1, 2000. The inventory included 6.08 million steers and steer calves, up 2 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 61 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.77 million head, down 8 percent from January 1, 2001.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.33 million, 8 percent below 2000 and 6 percent below 1999.

Marketings during December totaled 1.55 million, 3 percent above 2000 but 3 percent below 1999.

Other disappearance during December was 78,000 head, up 1 percent from 2000 and 4 percent above 1999.

## U. S. CATTLE ON FEED 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.6 million head on January 1, 2002. The inventory was 2 percent below January 1, 2001 but 1 percent above January 1, 2000. The inventory included 7.10 million steers and steer calves, up 1 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 61 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.38 million head, down 7 percent from January 1, 2001.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.58 million, 7 percent below 2000 and 4 percent below 1999. Net placements were 1.49 million. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 418,000, 600-699 pounds were 475,000, 700-799 pounds were 413,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 272,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.81 million, 3 percent above 2000 but 2 percent below 1999.

Other disappearance totaled 93,000 during December, 2 percent below 2000 but 3 percent above 1999.

Cattle on Feed: U.S. Number Placed on Feed, by weight groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, November and December 2001

Month	Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
1000 head					
Nov	655	588	381	284	1,908
Dec	418	475	413	272	1,578

\*Revised.

## Cattle and Calves on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, 7 Historic States and United States

State	Number on feed December 1			Placed during December			Marketed during December			Other disappearance during December			Number on feed January 1		
	2000	2001	2001-01	2000	2001	2001-01	2000	2001	2001-01	2000	2001	2001-01	2001	2002	2002-01
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
AZ	298	303	102	30	30	100	23	26	113	4	2	50	301	305	101
CA	450	490	109	62	50	81	52	50	96	10	10	100	450	480	107
CO	1,230	1,160	94	170	165	97	180	135	75	10	10	100	1,210	1,180	98
IA	395	350	89	38	55	145	45	49	109	3	1	33	385	355	92
KS	2,460	2,640	107	420	370	88	460	510	111	20	20	100	2,400	2,480	103
NE	2,410	2,270	94	340	300	88	340	325	96	10	15	150	2,400	2,230	93
TX	2,970	2,990	101	380	360	95	400	450	113	20	20	100	2,930	2,880	98
7 States	10,213	10,203	100	1,440	1,330	92	1,500	1,545	103	77	78	101	10,076	9,910	98
Oth. Sts.	1,735	1,688	97	259	248	96	254	266	105	18	15	83	1,722	1,655	96
U.S.	11,948	11,891	100	1,699	1,578	93	1,754	1,811	103	95	93	98	11,798	11,565	98

## Average prices, Nebraska, dollars per cwt

Week ended	Slaughter steers				Slaughter heifers			
	Choice 1100-1300 lbs				Choice 1000-1200 lbs			
	2000-2001		2001-2002		2000-2001		2001-2002	
Dec 22	76.67		62.23		76.42		62.28	
Dec 29	77.00		64.70		77.06		65.32	
Jan 05	77.37		64.39		77.31		64.98	

# CHICKENS AND EGGS

## FLORIDA

Table eggs sold in mid-January 2002 averaged 41.0 cents, down 2.0 cents from mid-December. Table egg production in Florida during December was 231 million eggs, up three percent from the previous month.

## UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.40 billion during December 2001, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.33 billion table eggs and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 62.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during December 2001 averaged 339 million, up 2 percent from the total average number of layers during December 2000. December egg production per 100 layers was 2,187 eggs, slightly below the 2,193 eggs in December 2000. December 2001 contained 21 weekdays, one holiday and five Saturdays equal December 2000.

All layers in the U.S. on January 1, 2002, totaled 339 million, up 2 percent from a year ago. The 339 million layers consisted of 280 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 56.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.59 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on January 1, 2002, averaged 69.8 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from the 70.4 eggs a year ago.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg producing States produced 6.95 billion eggs during December 2001, up 2 percent from a year ago. The average number of layers during December, at 3176 million, was up 2 percent from a year earlier.

Mid-month table egg prices received  
by Florida egg producers.

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2001	2002
January	54.0	41.0
February	50.0	
March	52.0	
April	50.0	
May	40.0	
June	45.0	
July	43.0	
August	44.0	
September	42.0	
October	44.0	
November	46.0	
December	43.0	

**FLORIDA:** Layers on hand first of month,  
percent molting and molted

	Jan 2001	Nov 2001	Dec 2001	Jan 2002
Total layers on hand: Thous.	10,766	10,852	10, 828	10,932
Percent of layers:				
Being molted	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Molt completed	35.0	31.0	35.0	33.0

Layers and egg production, December 2001, production year-to-date egg production for selected States

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Eggs per 100 layers	Egg production				Layers	
			Total	Table	Hatching	Year to date <sup>1/</sup>	Being molted	Molt completed
	Thousand			Millions			Percent	
Alabama	10,443	1,915	200	64	136	200	3.0	4.5
Arkansas	14,886	1,894	282	120	162	282	1.0	11.0
California	23,923	2,211	529			529	2.0	32.0
<b>Florida</b>	<b>10,881</b>	<b>2,261</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>33.0</b>
Georgia	21,489	2,066	444	265	179	444	5.0	13.0
Indiana	22,481	2,237	503	490	13	503	4.5	35.0
Iowa	35,225	2,263	797			797	5.0	30.5
Maine	3,865	2,323	90			90	0.0	0.0
Maryland	3,418	2,458	84	79	5	84	7.0	25.5
Michigan	6,641	2,214	147			147	3.0	45.0
Minnesota	12,103	2,173	263	254	9	263	4.5	29.0
Mississippi	6,821	1,979	135	45	90	135	2.0	10.5
Missouri	6,839	2,223	152			152	6.0	16.0
Nebraska	11,604	2,085	242	242		242	7.5	25.5
New York	3,781	2,486	94			94	0.0	4.5
North Carolina	11,160	1,935	216	80	136	216	0.5	7.0
Ohio	30,071	2,268	682			682	4.0	20.5
Pennsylvania	23,820	2,317	552	536	16	552	5.0	21.0
South Carolina	5,684	2,252	128	110	18	128	4.0	24.5
Texas	19,291	2,198	424			424	4.0	17.5
Virginia	3,340	1,946	65	34	31	65	0.5	15.5
Washington	5,047	2,320	117			117	11.0	43.0
Other States	45,698	2,160	454	366	88	454	5.7	23.0
United States	338,513	2,187	7,404	6,334	1,070	7,404	4.1	22.6

<sup>1/</sup> Production year begins December 1.

## HATCHERY PRODUCTION

### FLORIDA

The December hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 8,612,000 was 2 percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on January 1, at 7,286,000, were slightly above a year ago.

Egg-type hatch during December at 975,000 chicks was 5 percent below last year. Egg-type eggs in incubators on January 1, at 581,000 were 16 percent below last year.

### UNITED STATES

The December 2001 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 769 million, was up 4 percent from December of the previous year. There were 638 million eggs in incubators on January 1, 2002, up 5 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.58 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during December 2001, up 2 percent from December 2000.

Egg-type chicks hatched during December totaled 31.5 million, down 9 percent from December 2000. Eggs in incubators totaled 31.5 million on January 1, 2002, down 7 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 206 during December 2001, down 16 percent from December 2000.

Hatchery production, United States

Item	2001	2002	2002 % of 2001
-- Thousands --			
Egg-Type:			
Eggs in incubators: Jan 1	33,922	31,499	93
Chicks hatched during Dec	34,690	31,504	91
Pullets hatched during Dec for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	245	206	84
7-18 months earlier <sup>1/</sup>	3,081	3,185	103
Broiler-Type:			
Eggs in incubators: Jan 1	610,712	638,208	105
Chicks hatched during Dec	738,664	769,419	104
Pullets hatched during Dec for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	6,429	6,577	102
7-14 months earlier <sup>2/</sup>	63,345	60,397	95

<sup>1/</sup> 2001 includes pullet chicks hatched June 2000 through May 2001 <sup>2/</sup> 2001 includes pullet chicks hatched September 2000 through May 2001.

## MILK PRODUCTION

### FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 202 million pounds of milk during December 2001, down two percent from the previous December. Production per cow of 1,330 pounds was up slightly from last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in December totaled 152,000, down three percent from last year.

### UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 20 major States during December totaled 12.0 billion pounds, up 1.0 percent from December 2000. November revised production, at 11.5 billion pounds, was up 0.8 percent from November 2000. The November revision represented an increase of 0.3 percent or 38 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,547 pounds for December, 28 pounds above December 2000.

The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.74 million head, 62,000 head less than December 2000, but 10,000 head more than November 2001.

Milk cows and production, Florida and U.S.

Month and year		Milk cows	Monthly milk production	
			Per cow	Monthly Total
		Thous.	Lbs.	Mil. Lbs.
Florida:				
December	2000	156	1,325	207
November	2001	152	1,160	176
December	2001	152	1,330	202
20 Major States:				
December	2000	7,803	1,519	11,855
November	2001	7,731	1,484	11,474
December	2001	7,741	1,547	11,974
United States				
December	2000	--	--	13,758
November	2001	--	--	13,295
December	2001	--	--	13,875

Milk production by quarters, United States

Month	Milk cows <sup>1/</sup>		Milk per cow <sup>2/</sup>		Milk production	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	Thousand		Pounds		Mil. Lbs.	
Jan-Mar	9,188	9,157	4,640	4,511	42,630	41,306
Apr-Jun	9,213	9,125	4,688	4,676	43,189	42,669
Jul-Sep	9,229	9,100	4,460	4,464	41,161	40,619
Oct-Dec	9,211	9,098	4,416	4,481	40,678	40,764
Annual Total	9,210	9,120	18,204	18,131	167,658	165,358

<sup>1/</sup> Dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2/</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

## LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for December 2001 was 5.8 million pounds, two percent below the same month last year. Commer-

cial production of red meat in the United States for December at 3.81 billion pounds, was five percent above 2000.

### Commercial slaughter and red meat production, Florida and United States

Source and kind	Dec 2000	Nov 2001	Dec 2001	Year to date 2000	Year to date 2001
<b>Florida</b>					
Cattle slaughtered (1000 head) <sup>1/</sup>	7	9	8	78	90
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	17	11	12	111	104
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	3,015	1,968	1,997	20,385	19,244
Red meat production (million pounds)	5.9	6.1	5.8	55.9	62.3
<b>United States</b>					
Cattle:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	2,717	*2,904	2,779	36,246	35,363
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,326	3,644	3,489	44,200	43,198
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,224	1,255	1,255	1,219	1,221
Beef production (million pounds)	1,997	2,201	2,110	26,777	26,102
Calves:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	92	87	84	1,134	1,005
Total liveweight (million pounds)	29	27	26	357	370
Average liveweight (pounds)	319	309	309	316	320
Veal production (million pounds)	18	16	16	215	195
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	8,076	*8,717	8,419	97,976	97,943
Liveweight (million pounds)	2,137	2,345	2,255	25,660	25,859
Average liveweight (pounds)	265	269	268	262	264
Pork production (million pounds)	1,579	1,733	1,668	18,928	19,135
Red meat production (million pounds)	3,615	*3,970	3,813	46,153	45,653

<sup>1/</sup>Does not include calf slaughter data. \*Revised.

### Average Dollars Per Cwt Received through 13 Florida Auctions December 2000 and 2001

Stocker calves under 300 lbs.					Stocker calves over 300 lbs.				
Grade	2000		2001 <sup>2/</sup>		Grade	2000		2001 <sup>2/</sup>	
	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers		Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers
					Large #1	<sup>1/</sup>	<sup>1/</sup>	106.48	93.35
Medium #1	137.90	111.10	134.97	117.27	Medium #1	107.13	90.23	<sup>1/</sup>	<sup>1/</sup>
Medium #2	113.84	98.31	113.09	97.95	Medium #2	93.25	82.18	93.39	82.62
All grades	128.84	105.53	127.09	110.32	All grades	101.04	87.95	101.34	89.73

SOURCE: FDA & CS, Div. Of Marketing and Development, Market News Service. <sup>1/</sup> Not available.